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RICHMOND NEWS AND NOTES.

The House Defeats the Miller Bill by a Vote of 71 to 10.

Governor O'Ferrall Learns of the Depredations Being Made by the Maryland Oyster Pirates-Will Take Vigorous Measures to Capture Them-The Soldiers' and Saliors' Monument Will be Unveiled May 30.

RICEMOND, Feb. 24 .- In the House of Delegates this afternoon the Miller bill, which proposed to relieve cities from the operation of the local option law, was defeated by the vote of 71 to 10.

Sundry efforts were made to modify the law, but without avail, and the temperance people came out of the long and lively fight with flying colors.

Mr. Harrison, of Lynchburg, in finish ing his speech yesterday, recalled the fact that Democrats whose fealty was undoubted had objected to the passage of the bill upon the very grounds which had appeared in the local option fights. He thought that the opponents of the bill took a false promise when they con-

had appeared in the local option fights. He thought that the opponents of the bill took a false premise when they contended that it was to be a fight between factions of the party. That the Democratic party had always been an advocate of temperance. His convictions were entirely in favor of the Miller bill. He said that hiding a traffic in darkness hurt a community more than a regularly licensed business.

The opponents of any change in the law, and notably Mr. Slunders, claimed that to pass the Miller bill, or the substitute for it, over the protests of thousands of local optionists, would violate a solema compact entered into between the Democratic party and the temperance people, and the latter would consider it such an outrage they would rise up and try to crush the Democratic party. Mr. Saunders ridiculed the idea of abolishing local option in the towns and cities as a means of preventing bitter fights over the liquor question.

In the senate yesterday, the bill to increase the salaries of circuit judges, which was engrossed yesterday, came up on its passage and was defeated for

which was engrossed yesterday, came up on its passage and was defeated for want of a constitutional majority, the yester being 19 to 19. vote being 19 to 19.

The governor was notified to day that

oyster pirates had made a descent upon the James river. He has telegraphed in every direction to find the steamer Chesapeake and send her to the scene. He also offers a reward of \$50 a piece for the capture of the vessels.

In an informal and friendly conversa-tion with Governor Brown, of Maryland, to-day Governor O'Ferrall said he was to-day Governor O'Ferrall said he was determined to enforce vigorously the law against invading oyster dredgers and sink their craft if necessary, and that if the Maryland authorities resorted to harsh measures toward Virginia dredgers who invaded Maryland water the Virginia pirates would receive no sympathy from him.

Te Unwell the Monument Mary 30

To Unveil the Monument May 30 The Confederate Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument Association at a meeting to-night decided to unveil the monument on May 30 next.

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The monument is situated on Libby Hill, this city, and is a tall granite shaft surmounted by a bronze figure of a private soldier.

The selection of an orator was left to a committee of five.

A HORRIBLE ACCIDENT.

A Man Has His Head Entirely Torn From His Body.

HACKETTSTOWN, N. J., Feb. 24.-Barney Mooney, foreman in charge of the large gang of men filling the ice-houses at Waterloo, had his head torn from his body this afternoon. The steam ele-vator got out of order, and Mooney went underneath to readjust it. The men assisting him, after attending to the readjustment of the dumper, stepped

readjustment of the dumper, stepped out, and the engineer, supposing everything all right, started up the dumper. It caught Mooney by the head, and actually pulled the head from the body. The body dropped to the ground and the head was not released for several seconds. It rolled away in another direction. It was a sickening sight and the three hundred men at work near the scene were completely unnerved and all work was suspended for the day.

Two Killed by a Dynamite Explosion HAZLETON, Pa, Feb. 24.—Michael Silka was instantly killed and Hon. James Collins, an ex-member of the legislature from this district, fatally

injured by an explosion of dynamite at Janesville to-day.

Silka was employed by Collins as a laborer and was carrying fifty pounds of the dynamite when one stick drop-

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Refused to Reduce the Sentence

NASHVILLE, Feb. 24.-Judge Sage, of the United States circuit court, this morning refused to reduce the sentence of Frank Porterfield, ex cashier of the Commercial National Bank, from ten to five years. Porterfield will be taken to the prison at Brooklyn to-night.

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LETTER FROM WIMAN'S LAWYER.

General Tracey Says the Alleged Forget is Not a Criminal.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24 -The following letter in relation to the charges against Erastus Wiman is sent out by his counsel, Gen. Benjamin F. Tracey, ex-Secretary of the Navy, in vindication of that gentleman:

"I have seen for the first time to-day the indictments against Mr. Wiman and have learned his story of the case and the facts upon which the indictments are founded. I am entirely satisfied after such an examination that Mr. Wiman has committed no crime, and, wiman has committed no crime, and, unless I am greatly misinformed, the trial will develop a state of facts which will show that Mr. Wiman is not a criminal and that he has done nothing that can seriously reflect upon his honor and

"I am not in the habit of trying my cases in the newspapers, but in view of the extent to which this course has been taken by Mr. Wiman's enemies and a certain number of his supposed friends I think it only into the interest. friends I think it only just to him that I should make this statement.
"BENJAMIN F. TRACEY."

NEWS FROM BRAZIL An Insurgent Transport Sunk With Great Loss of Life.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 24.-The de struction of the insurgent transport Mercury, which was sunk by the fire of the guns of the government battery at Ponta Madame, is said to have resulted in considerable loss of life to the rebels. The shots which caused the vessel's

The shots which caused the vessel's destruction penetrated her botler, which burst, killing a number of the insurgents. The vessel then caught fire and many of the injured are said to have been burned to death, as the transport was burning fiercely when she sank. A number were drowned while attempting to swim ashors and others were captured by the government forces.

The telegraphic communication with

The telegraphic communication with Bahia has been cut off; this has caused considerable sensational comment in and about the city. According to the most generally believed report Peixoto's fleet has finally left Bahia for Rio de Janeiro, and this was the reason of the government cutting off the communication with the nort mentioned.

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According to another report there has
been battle there and the insurgents are
supposed to have gained some kind of
an advantage. There is still no news,
as this dispatch is sent, of the whereabouts of the Nictheroy or of the Aquidaban and Republica, which are supposed to be searching for her in order to
destroy or capture the dynamite cruiser.

Washington, Feb. 24—The report
from Buenos Ayres, via London, that
the vessels fitted out in New York for
service in Brazil, with the exception of
the Nictheroy, had gone over to the
insurgents is partially confirmed in
a letter received here from one of the
American officers in the service of the
Brazilian government.

This officer says while these vessels are not actually in possession of the insurgents, their officers have such high personal regard for the insurgent naval officers they are unwilling to take any steps against the forces of De Gama although they would not turn over the ships to him.

HOW THE BANKS STAND.

There is Still a Big Surplus Over the Required Limit.

New York, Feb. 24.-The weekly statement of associated banks shows the following changes: Reserve, increase, \$230,675; loans, increase, \$1,889,300; specie, decrease, \$671,400; legal tenders, increase, \$1,589,600; deposits, increase, \$2,750,100; circulation, decrease, \$311,700.

The banks now hold \$74,767,500 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

Augusta, Ga., Feb. 24.—After raining and sleeting all day, snow began to fall to night at 9 o'clock, and gives promise of being an inch or more deep

by morning.
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 24.—The WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 24.—The first snowstorm of the season visited Wilmington to day, accompanied by a cold wind from the northeast. The snow covers the ground to the depth of

two or three inches, and is still falling. Jackson, Miss., Feb. 24.—Dispatches received here from many points indicate that the sleet and snow storm wrecked

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 24.—A great snow storm has been raging in Dallas, and throughout the State to-day. Over a foot fell, but to night it has turned warmer, and the snow has melted

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Feb. 24.-I commenced snowing here about 2 o'clock this afternoon, and at 9 there was about 3 inches on the ground.

Horrible Deeds Result From a Feud. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 24.—Near Nanofalia an old feud between William Nanofalia an old feud between William Norton and James Breckenridge has ended in the death of both. The men met at a country store and opened fire on each other. Norton fell mortally wounded. Breckenridge, to make sure of his work, drew a knife, and cut the head of his antagonist from his body.

He was pursued by an angry mob, but when Breckenridge saw he would be captured and lynched, he drew a knife and cut his own throat from ear to ear, dying in sight of his would-be avengers.

True Bills Found Against the Officials. DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 24.—The Journal this evening says that an investigation, which has been pursuing at Lansing for some days, shows that several State officers have been guilty of extensive peculations from the State treasury. Five bills have been found at Mason, against the Officers of the Company of t Mason against several of the officials and others, charging them with felonies

UNFRUITFUL DAY. ANOTHER

Bland and His Followers in the House Somewhat Resigned.

Speaker Crisp Back in His Sent After His Short Illness-He and Reed Get Into an Argument Over the Rules of the House. Bland Would Not Allow a Recess to be Taken Until Monday.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 - The appearance of the galleries and the floor of the House this morning was indicative of the calm that follows a storm. There was an absence of all symptoms of the excitement which has marked the proceedings for the past two days. Speaker Orisp was in his seat and rapped the House to order at noon

The Senate joint resolution, providing for the printing of 6,000 copies of the Hawaiian correspondence sent to Con gress since January 1, was reported and referred.

On motion of Mr. Grosvenor (Rep. Ohio) the eulogies on the late Representative Enochs were fixed for Friday, March 16. Sergeant at arms Snow re ported under the resolution adopted yesterday that Representative H. U. Johnson (Rep. Ind.) was not in fact arrested under the order of February 19, and he asked that his name be stricken from the list as an act of justice to that gentleman. The report was received, and the necessary order given by the

Mr. Bankhead (Dem., Ala.,) in the temporary absence of Mr. Bland, moved that the House resolve itself into committee of the whole on the seiginorage bill, and that all debate be closed in thirty minutes. On division the vote was yeas 120, noes 0, and Mr. Tracey (Dem., Y. Y.,) suggested no quorum. Mr. Bankhead asked that the yeas and nays be called and it was so ordered. mays be called and it was so ordered.

Mr. Bland failed to get his vote in on
the first call of the roll, but returned to his seat in time to hear the clerk call it the second time.

Pending the announcement of the vote, Mr. Boatner (Dem., La.,) stated that be came into the house after his name had been callen the second time, and would like to have his name recorded as present.

The chair—There is no rule authorizing the chair to entertain the gentle-

man's request.

Mr. Reed—The gentleman, I doubt not, makes the request as a matter of right. It is not a request to be allowed to vote, but to have his name recorded to help make a quorum

There is no rule, I suggest to the chair, prohibiting action.

The chair—The clerk will read the rule.

After it had been read he said: "There

is no authority for the chair to grant the request."
Mr. Reed-I trust the chair will ap-

Mr. Reed—I trust the chair will appreciate the efforts I make to help the House out of the difficulty it is in.

The chair (smiling)—The chair has no doubt that the gentleman from Maine would be glad to have a quorum counted. The result of the vote was announced: Yeas, 152; nays, 7—20 short of a quorum—whereupon a call of the House was ordered.

The call showed 273 members pres-The call showed 273 members pres-

ent, and on motion of Mr. Bland further proceedings thereunder were suspended. proceedings thereunder were suspended. Mr. Wilson (Rep., Wash.) then moved that the House adjourn. The motion was voted down. Mr. Reed then moved that the House take a recess until Monday at 10 a.m., and Mr. Bland protested against filibustering, but his protest was unheeded. Mr Bland withdrew the motion to

close debate in half an hour, and moved that debate close at 4 o'clock p.m. Pending that motion Mr. Tracey (Dem., N. Y.) moved that the House adjurn. Tracey's motion was defeated. Mr. Bland stated that it was evident

that the bondholders intended to fill-buster to day, and he would therefore move to adjourn, which was agreed to, and at 3 o'clock the Speaker declared the House adjourned until Monday.

CLEVELAND DENIES THE REPORTS.

Another Rumer That He is Suffering From a Serious Malady.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24 .- A reporter of the Southern Associated Press saw President Cleveland this evening at the Executive Mansion regarding the re-ports that have been circulated in some newspapers for the past two or three days to the effect that the President was suffering from a serious maiady and was about to have an operation performed. Concerning the reports the President

"I have been engaged every day in my office on public business, and have every day seen the people who called, every day seen the people who called, Senators, Representatives and others. Nothing would have been easier than to ascertain the absolute falsity of these reports. I am forced to conclude that there is an epidemic of meadacity emanating from the dull and stupid brains of some of these correspondents. "These men must be influenced by a desire to deceive the public or to annov

desire to deceive the public or to annoy those affected by their disreputable work. Those who read newspapers should understand the extent to which their credulty is calculated at the control of the co their credulity is calculated upon.

Mr. Cleveland never looked better in his life than he did to day. He shook hands with 350 people in the East Room this afternoon

WILL CARRY NO DEFICIT.

The Senate Will Make Up That \$75,000

Washington, Feb. 24 -A member of the sub-committee of the Senate finance committee said to day that the tariff bill, when laid before the Senate, would carry with it no deficit.

Secretary Carrisle was before the sub-

committee this morning and went over the internal revenue features. He be- cast winds, high on the coast.

lieves the bill will produce sufficient revenue. As it came from the House the bill carried a deficit of seventy-five millions, and a member of the committee. when asked to-day how it would cover their great shortage, said that could not be explained without going over the entire bill and revealing what the committee had done, which at this time would be manifestly improper.

the committee had done, which at this time would be manifestly improper.

He did say, though, that, provided the committee agreed upon the figures it had in mind, an additional \$38,000,000 would come from sugar; about \$18,000,000 from the increase to \$1.00 per gallon of the tax on whiskey; a saving of

on from the increase to \$1.00 per callon of the iax on whiskey; a saving of \$8.000,000 a year by the regulation of unmanufactured leaf tobacco, and the remainder on their additions that have been made for purposes of revenue only and the increased importation bound to grow out of an enlarged free list.

The coal men say they secured fifty cents a ton on coal. Iron ore will be protected by an advalorem duty of not less than 20 per cent, and it is by no means settled that wool will be on the free list. Lumber will be taken care of in consideration of votes from the united party, and sugar has finally reached the party, and sugar has finally reached the stage where the committee may be said to be in accord with one another.

WILSON HAS TYPHOID FEVER.

It is Yet in a Mild Form, but His General Condition is Graye.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Secretary Gresham to day received from Mr. Crittenden, the United States consul general the following telegram concerning lion.

the following telegram concerning Hon. Wm. L. Wilson:
"Ar Wilson has developed a marked case of typhoid fever. His general con dition is grave, though the fever as yet is of a mild type. Dr. Mallet Provost, whom I sent from here to Augusscalientes (Hot Springs) to see him, had him removed to Guadalajara, which he considers the location which will give him the best sanitary surroundings possible. the best sanitary surroundings possible in Mexico. To bring him to this city would be most dangerous. He shall have the best attention."

Washington Items of Interest. Secretary Carlisle has learned that Francisco, making 13,243 registered in the country. There are about 110,000 Chinese in the United States.

Representative Pence (Pop., Colo) who has favored the Bland bill, says that his party will give the Eastern men a dose of their own medicine in the hereafter for their opposition to that measure. Bland said to-day: "There is no

Siand said to-day: "There is no change in the programme and no thought of surrender. We will begin again on Monday just where we left off to-day" Representative Tracey says: "The silver men have shown their greatest strength and they will lose from this time forward. Another Crazy Notion of the Knights.

MEMPHIS, Tenn, Feb 24.—The Knights of Labor of the United States are about to start upon a campaign having for its to start upon a campaign naving for its object the removal of the negroes from the United States and their coionization in the Congo Basin, Liberia or some other part of Africa.

The first substantial step looking in that direction was taken in Memphis to-night, when the trades council was called to meet to make arrangements to

called to meet to make arrangements to sustain Grand Master Workman Soverign of the Knights of Labor, who will make a tour of the South during March make a tour of the South dand lecture on the subject.

McDonald, Pa., Largely Destroyed by Fire PITTSBURG, Pa., Largely Destroyed by Fire PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 24.—A fire destroying \$100,000 worth of property, comprising three-fourths of the business portion of McDonald, an oil town twenty miles west of Pittsburg, on the Panhandle railroad, occurred at 4:45 o'clock this morning. The fire courred in the postofice from an experiment in the postoffice from an overflowed natural gas stove. Twenty buildings, two of which were residences, were de-stroyed. The insurance amounts to stroyed. The insurance amounts to only \$14,000. There were several nar-row escapes, but no loss of life.

Pool of the Steel Casting Manufacturers. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—A prominent steel merchant of Philadelphia, who does not desire to be quoted, but who speaks authoritatively, stated to-night that a pool has been formed which embraces all of the manufacturers of steel castings in this country (about twenty) with but one execution. with out one exception. The exception is the Midvale Steel Company, of this city, which will not be antagonized, it is stated, as long as it does not antagonize the trust.

The Eloper Has Been Arrested.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Feb. 24 - Henry McDonald, of Atlanta, Ga., who descreed his wife and ran away with pretty, Nellie Webb, a 17-year-old girl, and who the police have been looking for ever since, was arcested here this morning. The girl's father has threatened to kill McDonald on sight.

Incendiaries Still at Work at Chicago. CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Fire was discovered in the dome of the agricultural building, World's Fair grounds, this morning, and soon spread to all parts of the roof. The dome was entirely destroyed and the building ruined. The monetary loss is practically nothing.

Prendergast Sentenced to be Hanged. CHICAGO, Feb. 24.-Judge Brenton, this morning denied the motion for a new trial in the case of Eugene Pren-dergast, murderer of Mayor Harrison. He has sentenced the prisoner to be hanged March 23 hanged March 23.

Death of a Welt-Known Publisher NEW YORK, Fop. 24.-Norman L. Monros, the well-known publisher, died at 6.15 this evening from the effects of an operation for appendicitis.

The funeral of Madame Calabresi, who was killed by a bomb explosion in a hotel in Faris last Tuesday, occurred yesterday and was targely attended. THE WEATHER.

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THE PEERS RETREAT.

Submit to Commoners on the Parish Councils Bill.

(Copyrighted, 1894, by the United Press.) LONDON, Feb. 24.—The submission of the lords on the parish councils bill has been almost complete. It amply satisfles the moderate liberals, who do not desire to hinder or embarrass Mr. Gladstone into declaring war against the upper house. The radicals, who are opposed to the peers first, last and all

opposed to the peers first, last and all the time, are still eager for the fray.

On Monday, when the parish councils bill will be returned to the house of commons in its newly amended form, the radicals will insist upon restoring the clause giving the councils control of the local charities. There is little probability, however, of a rupture between the house over this point along. tween the houses over this point alone. The ministers do not expect, and will not permit, the precipitation of the crisis for which the radicals are long-

ing.
If the government plans be realized, however, the dissolution will take place in September. Already the issues of the coming electoral campaign are in the political foreground. The retreat of the peers last evening will undoubt-edly abolish them. Salisbury's Action Doesn't Please the

Queen. London, Feb. 24 —The Chronicle is authority for the statement that Lord Salisbury's attitude in regard to the employer's liability and local govern-

ment bills has aroused a strong feeling of opposition to his course on the part of the Queen and the Prince of Wales. A Grand Parlimentary Tournament Over the Russian Treaty. (Copyright, 1894, by the United Press.)

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Berlin, Feb. 24.—The new commercial treaty with Russia will come up for its first reading in the reichstag on Monday, and deputies of all shades of politics are making preparations for a grand parliamentary tournament. The contest preliminary to the admission of the treaty to its first reading is certain to be protracted, all sides agreeing that

to be protracted, all sides agreeing that it will extend over four or five days. Every parliamentary group is getting together its resources, oratorical and numerical, to the fullest extent, and the debate is sure to be of a most spirited character.

Items of Foreign Happenings. A bill will be introduces in the French deputies increasing the prescribed pen-alties for infractions of the law governing the manufacture and transportation

to two years' imprisonment and a fine of 1,000 francs for publishing a book containing matter calculated to incite revolution

Baron Giovanni Nicotera, of Rome, ex-minister of the interior, and one of Italy's foremost statesmen, was stricken with apoplexy last evening. Landing parties from the British flag-

ship Raleign sent ashore at Bathurst on the west coast of Gambia. to punish a slave trader, were repulsed with the loss of thirteen men and forty seven

of explosives.

Jean Graves was sentenced in Paris